(c) what is the cost of each horse and what has been the extent of loss due to the death and illness of these horses; and

(d) what steps Government have taken or propose to take to save the lives of such highly pedigreed race horses?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) This Department take appropriate control measure according to the disease status in the State|Country.

**Lower amount of subsidy to farmers to India**

7141. CHAUDHARY HARMOHAN SINGH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the subsidy being provided in the country for agricultural production is low in comparison to that given in the foreign countries;

(b) if so what are the details of the amounts of subsidy being given by different countries of the World; and

(c) what efforts are being made by Government to provide subsidy to boost agricultural production?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI ARVIND NETAM): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The estimates of Producers Subsidy Equivalent (net of input subsidies and output taxes) as percentage of value of agricultural production as worked out by Organisation of Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) for 1990 are as under:

| Country | Producer subsidy equivalent as percentage value of agricultural production |
|---|---|
| Japan | 68 |
| EC | 48 |
| USA | 30 |
| Canada | 41 |
| Australia | 11 |

(c) The Government policy aims at reducing the level of subsidy in the economy including agriculture with a view to reducing fiscal imbalances so that development activities are financed in a non-inflationary manner. A number of incentives are being provided under various crop specific development prorammes to boost agricultural production.

**अंगोरा ऊन**

7142. **श्री महेश्वर सिंह**: क्या कृषि मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार को इस बात की जानकारी है कि देश में विशेषकर हिमाचल प्रदेश जैसे पहाड़ी और पिछड़े प्रदेश में किसान अंगोरा किस्म के खरगोश